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1. IN A STATEMENT PREPARED AT A MEETING OF SOME 50 SOUTH MOLUCCANS AT THE VILLAGE OF BOVENSMILDE, SCENE OF THE SCHOOL SEIZURE LAST MAY, THE LOCAL SOUTH MOLUCCAN COMMUNITY BROKE OFF "ALL RELATIONS" WITH DUTCH AUTHORITIES AND PERSONS. BLAMING THE ONESIDEDNESS OF DUTCH POLICIES, THE MOLUCCANS STATE THAT THEY DO NOT WISH TO HAVE ANY FURTHER CONTACT WITH JUSTICE AND POLICE AUTHORITIES NOR WITH DUTCH POLITICAL PARTIES AND POLITICIANS. THE STATEMENT ALSO SAID THAT THE SOUTH MOLUCCANS IN BOVENSMILDE WOULD NO LONGER COOPERATE IN A STUDY FOR AN INTEGRAL WELFARE POLICY OF THE LOCAL NEIGHBORHOOD ASSOCIATION.

2. WHILE STATEMENT WAS PREPARED BY ONLY SMALL NUMBER OF SOUTH MOLUCCANS IN A VILLAGE OF INSIGNIFICANT SIZE, ITS THRUST IS RELEVANT ON A FAR WIDER SCALE. AS REFTTEL INDICATED, THE GON MUST FIND WAY TO ENGAGE THE SOUTH MOLUCCANS IN A POLITICAL DISCOURSE SO AS TO AVOID FURTHER OUTBREAKS OF VIOLENCE.
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THE GON ALSO MUST FACE THE NECESSITY OF ENGAGING NOT JUST THE AGING LEADERSHIP BUT ALSO THE YOUNGER ELEMENTS OF THE MOLUCCAN COMMUNITY IN A DIALOGUE ABOUT THEIR POLITICAL AIMS AS A FIRST STEP TOWARD SETTLEMENT OF THE PROBLEM. SIGNALS SUCH AS ARE NOW COMING IN FROM BOVENSMILDE INDICATE THE INCREASING DIFFICULTY OF THIS TASK.

3. PUBLIC ATTENTION TO THE MOLUCCAN PROBLEM HAS EBBED SIGNIFICANTLY, FOLLOWING A SIMILAR PATTERN IN 1975. THIS, TOGETHER WITH THE ABSENCE OF A GOVERNMENT READY TO TAKE AN ACTIVE INTEREST IN THE PROBLEM, DOUBTLESSLY CONTINUES TO FEED MOLUCCAN FEELINGS OF ISOLATION AND FRUSTRATION. EVEN THOUGH THE MOLUCCAN ISSUE IS AGAIN ON THE BACK BURNER, THE NEXT DUTCH GOVERNMENT NOW BEING PUT TOGETHER CAN IGNORE IT ONLY AT ITS PERIL. THE POSSIBILITY REMAINS THAT EVEN BEFORE THAT MOLUCCANS MAY ONCE AGAIN TAKE MATTERS INTO THEIR OWN HANDS AND FORCE THE CURRENT CARETAKER GOVERNMENT TO DEAL WITH IT.
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